

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF
A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)
AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the **General Electric Facility Planned Development Zoning**. The project proposes to rezone the site from Heavy Industrial to A (PD) Planned Development Zoning District to allow the development of approximately 646,000 square feet of retail commercial uses. Specific tenants are not known at this time. The property currently contains the existing GE facility, which consists of office/manufacturing buildings, pavement, and limited landscaping. The project proposes to retain the office portion of the historic GE Motor Plant Building. File No.: PDC04-029. Council District: 7.

The proposed project will have potentially significant environmental effects with regard to traffic, air quality and cultural resources. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires this notice to disclose whether any listed toxic sites are present at the project location. The project location is not contained in the Cortese List of toxic sites.

The Draft EIR and documents referenced in the Draft EIR are available for review online at the City of San José's website: <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/eir/eir.htm> and are also available at the following locations:

Department of Planning, Building,
and Code Enforcement
801 North First Street, Room 400
San José, CA 95110
(408) 277-4576

Biblioteca Latinoamericana
Branch Library
921 South First St.
San José, CA 95110
(408) 294-1237

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Main Librar
150 E. San Fernando St.
San José, CA 95112
(408) 277-4822

The public review period for this Draft EIR begins on **Tuesday, April 5, 2005** and ends on **Thursday, May 19, 2005**. Written comments must be received at the Planning Department by **5:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, May 19, 2005**, in order to be addressed as part of the formal EIR review process. Comments and questions should be referred to Michael Rhoades in the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement at (408) 277-4576, via e-mail: michael.rhoades@sanjoseca.gov, by fax at (408) 277-3250, or by regular mail at the mailing address listed above. Please reference the above file number in your written comment letter.

Following the close of the public review period, the Director of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement will prepare a Final Environmental Impact Report that will include responses to comments received during the review period. Ten days prior to the public hearing on the EIR, the City's responses to comments received during the public review period will be available for review and will be mailed to those who have commented in writing on the EIR during the public review period.

A public hearing before the Planning Commission to consider certification of the Final EIR is tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday, June 8, 2005**, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at San José City Hall: 801 North First Street, San José, CA 95110.

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